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SUBJECT: URUGUAYAN NATIONAL, HIBER CONTERIS SARDO

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1. ON 28 MARCH 1978, POLOFF MET WITH MARTHA VIALE
VASQUEZ, FIANCE OF HIBER CONTERIS SARDO, WHO REPORTED
THE FOLLOWING UNCONFIRMED INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS
HEALTH AND GENERAL SITUATION. HER STORY FOLLOWS:

2. UPON HIS ARREST IN DECEMBER 1976, DR. CONTERIS WAS
TAKEN TO A BRANCH OF THE URUGUAYAN DEPARTMENT OF INTELLI-
GENCE, WHERE HIS TREATMENT WAS SATISFACTORY. AFTER
APPROXIMATELY 15 DAYS, HOWEVER, HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO
THE SIXTH CAVALRY CUARTEL. WHERE HE REMAINED FOR THE NEXT
FOUR MONTHS. DURING THIS PERIOD HE WAS FORCED TO UNDERGO
SEVERE BEATINGS AND OTHER MISTREATMENT, RESULTING IN
DAMAGE TO HIS TEETH AND JAW, SEVERE SPINAL PROBLEMS AND
A PUNCTURED EAR DRUM. IN APRIL 1977, DR. CONTERIS WAS
REMOVED THE FOURTH CAVALRY CURATEL, WHERE HE REMAINS
AND WHERE HIS TREATMENT IS MUCH IMPROVED. IN HIS
PRESENT PLACE OF DETENTION, HE HAS RECEIVED MEDICAL
ATTENTION, WHICH INCLUDED THE SURGICAL REMOVAL OF HIS
TEETH BECAUSE OF DAMAGE DONE TO THE GUMS AND ROOTS

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DURING HIS INTERROGATION. HE STILL SUFFERS PAIN
BECAUSE OF THE INJURY TO HIS BACK.

3. DR. CONTERIS WAS INDICATED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN A SUB-
VERSIVE ORGANIZATION AND OFFENSE AGAINST THE CONSITITUTION,
TO WHICH WAS RECENTLY ADDED THE CHARGE OF ILLEGAL ENTRY.
THE PROSECUTOR REQUESTED A SENTENCE OF 10 YEARS,

ALTHOUGH NO FINAL VERDICT HAS BEEN HANDED DOWN YET.
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